

**CITY OF MESA**  
**HUMAN RELATIONS ADVISORY BOARD (HRAB)**  
**Ad Hoc Veterans Task Force**  
October 3, 2012 Minutes

MEMBERS PRESENT

Charmain Hopkins  
Denise Heap  
Rory Gilbert

MEMBERS ABSENT

STAFF PRESENT

Lyn Buzuleciu  
Ruth Giese

GUESTS

Doug Dau  
Shirley Kosisky

1. Welcome and Introductions.

Ms. Gilbert called the meeting to order.

2. Items from citizens present.

The Disabled American Veterans was present and gave a background on their organization. The Disabled American Veterans has been an organization for 92 years. It assists veterans and their families with education, housing benefits and anything else they might need.

3. Approval of minutes from the September 12, 2012 Ad Hoc team meeting.

A motion was made by Ms. Heap to approve the September 12, 2012 minutes. Ms. Hopkins seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

4. Discuss, consider and recommend potential task force members from outside organizations.

Ms. Gilbert reported she spoke with Joe Jacobson from the East Valley Veterans Education Center and they are interested in participating. Ms. Giese suggested the committee may want to contact Thomas Winkle of Arizona National Guard to also participate. Ms. Gilbert suggests that the task force compose one list of about 20 different organizations and a named contact for the organization. The contacts and organizations should all be emailed to the Diversity office to finalize the list.

5. Discuss future agenda items, meeting dates, announcements, other housekeeping.

Ms. Gilbert stated that one agenda item should be creating an agenda and logistics for a community meeting. Ms. Gilbert asked Ms. Hopkins to bring up the mission statement to the board and the also discuss the board partaking in the veteran's parade. The task force planned to meet October 17 at 5:30 pm and November 14 at 5:30 for the next two meetings.